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RESPONSE

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SIR:

This Response is submitted in answer to the Office Action dated November 25, 2002, which set a three month period for response. Thus, this Response is considered timely filed on or before February 25, 2003.

Please enter the following remarks in the above-identified application as follows:

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above referenced application is respectfully requested. Claims 31 to 44 are currently pending in the present application.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §101

Claims 31-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being drawn to an invention with no apparent or disclosed specific and substantial credible utility. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

In maintaining this rejection, the Examiner continues to ignore the fact that, in addition to